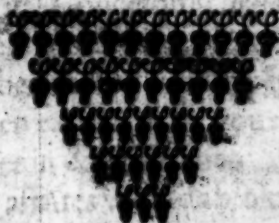


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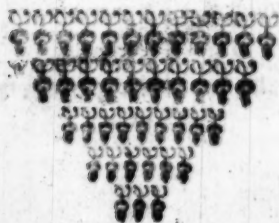
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**I** Am to speak a word unto you,  
since I have been so long absent  
from you, it is no way in an-  
swer of the learned Speech of  
Mr. Speaker, but yet I shall touch one  
point of it. Concerning *Ireland*, but first  
I must tell you though I have been absent  
longer then indeed I did expect, or could  
have been expected, by you: yet I stayed  
no longer in *Scotland*, then the necessitie  
of those affaires would absolutely permit,

and indeed I have therein done so much good, that I will not affirm unto you, that I have less cause to be most contented and happy. And yet if I did misreckon a little, I should not misreckon in the end.

Now, though I have deceived you a little of your expectation in point of time, I confesse you have deceived my expectation in finding of businesse here, for I had thought to have found things in quietnesse and rest, both for Religion and Peace of this Kingdome: but I found great distractions, such as I could not expect, insomuch as the Parliament was thought fit to be guarded; this I sought not any way to seek out a fault, or to have any distrust of the hearty affections of my Subjects. But on the contrary, when I came here, (as you all see) I found the affections of my people to me with great comfort. Now I assure you I receive with the same affection that you or any good people of the world could wish for. I am so farre from thinking any thing I have done

do not here, that if it were as long as,  
even in the favour and good of my good  
people, that I might be able to do again.

And what for I may be justly expect-  
ed of me, for the securing of Religion and  
Libertie of my people, I shall not fail to  
do it; and therefore, I shall mention no  
particular at this time, but onely that great  
petition of *Barwicke*, which Mr. *Spencer*  
did mention; of which I do not doubt,  
but you have had a great care; yet me  
thinks, things go on slowly; and I men-  
tion this more reasonable, because a cou-  
ple of Noble-men, are come out of *Scot-*  
*land*, according to the petition and instru-  
ments, which it pleased both Houses to  
send to me at *Barwicke*, which instantly  
I dispatched to the Councell there, who  
now have the full disposall of things; I  
spake to them this morning, and I desire  
both Houses to appoint a select Com-  
mittee, to treat, and end that businesse  
with them.

I have but this word more to say, that

I assure you I have no other end, but the  
happinesse of my people; for their flou-  
rishing, and my greater glory I and their  
affection, my greatest strength.

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